## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Rajneesh Taneja Examiner: SHEIKH, HUMERA N

Serial No.: 09/955,801 Group Art Unit No.: 1615 Filing Date: September 19, 2001 Confirmation No.: 1051

For:

Methods and pharmaceutical formulations for protecting pharmaceutical compounds from acidic environments

## **NOTICE OF APPEAL**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the decision dated October 31, 2008 of the Examiner finally rejecting Claims 1,3-17 and 19-21. Applicants also Petition for a 2-Month Extension of Time thus extending the due date for filing this Notice of Appeal until March 31, 2009.

Please charge deposit Account 04-2223 in the amount of \$540.00 and \$490.00 to cover the cost of the Notice of Appeal and the 2-Month Extension of Time fee, respectively. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to the above-numbered deposit account.

If the Examiner has any questions regarding the above, or would like to discuss any aspect of the application further, he is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney.

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